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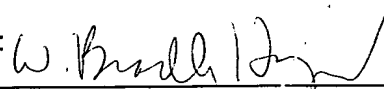
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to your Office Action/Restriction Requirement dated February 9, 2006; Applicants affirm the election of **Group I (Claims 1-16)** with traverse. Group II (Claims 17-32) is hereby withdrawn. Furthermore, the applicant elects, with traverse, a stabilizer as the single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable.

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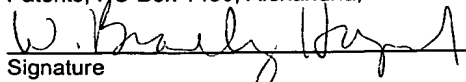
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